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NEISSERIA MENINGITIDIS SPECIES BACTERIA, METHOD  
FOR OBTAINING THEM AND THEIR BIOLOGICAL  
APPLICATIONS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

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Attached is a copy of the International Search Report dated March 26, 1997, which lists a number of the attached documents.

See the degree of relevancy and the particular passages cited for each document in that Search Report.

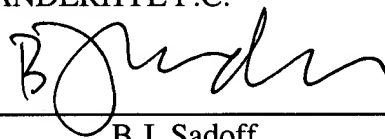
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early action on the merits of this application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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